

# CLARKSVILLE WEEKLY CHRONICLE.

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A LEMEST had long suffering public wants to know before-hand if Bob White and Laps McCard intend to make pams on the names of all the Democratic candidates for Governor in Tennessee. There must be an end of toleration somewhere.

THE New York World having been forced by Senator Vance to acknowledge that it lied about him in the Pan Electric matter, has taken to copying flims at the North Carolina senator from such Republican papers as the Cincinnati Commercial-Gazette.

MR. C. E. MERRILL, late of the American, has taken the position of telegraph editor of the Memphis Avalanche. The Avalanche explains that in this connection he will have nothing to do with the political conduct of the paper. The explanation was necessary to satisfy the public curiosity as to how it was proposed to mix fire and water.

It may not have had any influence in the case, but it is nevertheless a fact that from the time that Morrison introduced his new tariff bill in the House, Henry Watterson straightway began to improve. Henri could never say die as long as there was a prospect of a tariff fight on hand. We would consider the Morrison bill bad medicine in most instances, but we are pleased to note that it had such happy effect in this case. The world would get along poorly without the brilliant Louisville editor.

THE Bohvar Bulletin must be immensely gratified to find its tirade against Democratic harmony quoted and endorsed by the Nashville Banner. When the National Review pronounces the Bulletin on the right track its cup of happiness will be complete. The Bulletin and its kind have always expressed about the same regard for the Banner that the devil is said to entertain for holy water, and it must be pleased to have to go to that paper for company in its feeble efforts to break up Democratic good feeling.

THE Avalanche in the following is guilty of a mixed metaphor. In speaking of the issue between the President and the Senate it says:

It resembles a contest between an elephant and a whale. The Senate can spout and fume and lash the wave in its own element. It can't get at the executive. The president can paw up the earth on his side or stand in dignified silence. It will be impossible to lock horns.

Brother Doak didn't mean to seriously intimate that elephants and whales have horns.

OUR Washington news to-day gives the resolutions introduced by Senator Morgan as a set-off to those of Senator Edmunds in regard to the contest with the President and the Attorney-General.

The Morgan resolutions make the good point that if these officers of the Government have been guilty of the atrocity charged to them in withholding information from the Senate they ought to have given inquiry should be made into the matter and impeachment preferred if the charges are found true. The Democratic Senators know that the Republicans will not dare to go to that length and this is a good way to show the flimsiness of their complaint. This movement will fix the quarrel between the parties in the Senate, while Grover will smile and proceed to transact the Governments business in the even tenor of his way.

MISS MILDRED LEE, the daughter of Gen. Robert E. Lee, was given a reception at the Galt House in Louisville, on the evening of the 22d by some ex-Confederate soldiers and the alumni of Washington Lee University. The Courier-Journal says, "It was extremely gratifying to observe in the great throng present many gallant gentlemen who had served in the Federal army, and none were more ready than they to extend a cordial Kentucky welcome to the daughter of Robert E. Lee." But notwithstanding this feature of the entertainment, the opportunity to make it appear an effort to revive the spirit of disunion in the South could not be foregone, and we find the following being sent out by the Associated Press:

Ex-Confederate Generals Buckner, Duke, Hewitt, Echols, and many others were in attendance. The cards of invitation were decorated with the Confederate flag—the stars and bars. The affair was a brilliant social success, and up to a late hour the parlors and corridors of the hotel were crowded by those waiting to pay their respects to the daughter of the hero of the Southern Confederacy.

T. N. Powderly, grand master workman of the Knights of Labor, in reply to a question of the United Press reporter stated that the object of his recent visit to Canada to confer with the Archbishop of Quebec in regard to the position of his church towards the Knights of Labor. Mr. Powderly declined to expatiate on the subject giving as a reason for reticence that the matter was a delicate one.

## WASHINGTON.

Summary of the Week's Proceedings in Congress.

Jackson of Tennessee and Other Senators Laying for Edmunds.

Special Correspondence of the Chronicle.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.

The Administration agreed to furnish the Senate all the reasons for removals except those of a confidential nature. The Republican leaders then demanded that the confidential reasons be submitted to them also, in order that the Senate might decide if they were really confidential, and the direct issue was thereby raised.

It cannot be known what action will be taken by the administration in regard to this matter until the question is officially brought to the notice of the Executive. Democratic Senators do not consider any further caucusing on the so-called Edmunds rebellion necessary on their part. They have taken their stand with the President, since they believe he is right, and they intend to sustain him.

A caucus is in contemplation, however, for the purpose of appointing the usual campaign committee to manage the Congressional campaign. It will be held in a few days and the Edmunds demonstration may be brought up, but the caucus will be held without reference to it.

The issue will provoke a hot political discussion in the Senate, which is expected to begin next Monday. It will probably continue for some days as Senators of both parties are hunting up precedents and preparing speeches on the question. There are a number of Republican Senators who are opposed to this farcical fight, although they feel bound by political duty to abide by their caucus decision in condemning the Administration's determination to maintain the Executive prerogative. One of their non-sympathizers, Senator Van Wyck, of Nebraska, stigmatizes the Edmunds attack as a "hunt for ghosts' wool."

Senator Tugh, of Alabama, Jackson, of Tennessee, and Kenna, of West Virginia, are among the Democratic Senators who are equipped and anxious for the battle to begin. They say they will be abundantly fortified with precedents to offset those given by the Republicans. A Democratic Senator has in his possession the copy of a letter written by Sherman, when Secretary of the Treasury, declining to furnish Conkling, then a Senator, with reasons for the suspension of Chester A. Arthur, as Collector of the Port of New York. There are many indications that the coming controversy will be bitter and the debate exciting.

And what will it amount to? At the worst it can only stop the President from filling offices whose incumbents he may see fit to suspend, leaving those offices in abeyance until the end of their regular terms. And at that point even the obstructive power of the Senate must end, unless the Republican majority undertake the desperate resort of refusing to confirm the President's nominees because they are Democrats. In either event the Republican Senators will lose the fight.

Monday being Washington's birthday, Congress took holiday as well as Government clerks. It is at work again to-day, and the Blair educational bill is still before the Senate. Some very able arguments have been made for and against the measure. Though a stronger opposition has been manifested against it this session than last, no doubt is expressed that it will pass the Senate either by its friends or enemies. It is estimated that at least ten Southern Senators will vote against it as being unconstitutional and impolitic, although under the provisions of the bill, their section would share more largely in its benefits than the North.

All the Democrats of the House and sixteen Republican members voted for the Fitz John Porter relief bill. The passage of the bill was a foregone conclusion, the only interesting feature of the vote lying in the number of Republicans who would range themselves with Democratic sentiment in favoring Porter's full vindication.

The close of the Porter debate brought the first scene of the session, and ended in uproar and confusion. There was a medley of comedy and tragedy. Men on both sides of the hall lashed themselves into a passion. One member accused another of disingenuousness. Another accused a member of trying to cram a falsehood down the throat of the House. Members shook their fists in the air and in each other's faces, and made other demonstrations equally unparliamentary. They ridiculed each other's speeches, and shrieked and laughed and groaned until the tumult was settled by an order that the vote be taken.

The advocates of woman's suffrage held a lively convention here during the week. This is their eighteenth annual Washington convention. They are much elated over the bill favoring female enfranchisement that is now on the Senate calendar. The House Judiciary Committee granted the delegates a respectful hearing on last Saturday, and nine ladies made arguments before the committee, appealing for the submission of a sixteenth amendment to the State legislature, granting women the citizen's right to vote.

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THE I. A. & T.

A Talk With Major Gordon on the Subject of our Interesting Narrow Gauge.

A CHRONICLE reporter called on the Messrs. Gordon at the Franklin House Wednesday to ascertain if anything could be learned concerning the I. A. & T. railroad and what the prospects are for its completion.

He found Maj. E. C. Gordon, Col. W. S. Gordon, Judge Wood, of Alabama, and Mr. Mulligan all ensconced in room No. 14. The Judge and Mr. Mulligan were busy writing at the table, and the Gordons were walking the floor. Major Gordon responded to the reporter's inquiries. He said that at present he was making an effort to repair the road bed and get it in fix to handle the tobacco crop.

In regard to the completion of the road, he has two or more plans which he will soon submit to a meeting of Clarksville business men and the bond subscribers. What these plans are the reporter could not learn definitely, but was assured that each of them looks to giving Clarksville control of the road.

The Major was not very communicative in this regard, and the reporter had no positive statement from him concerning the propositions he intends to make, but from the drift of the conversation he infers that the scheme will be to build the remainder of the road under a new charter, or to have the city of Clarksville purchase a controlling interest in the road and complete it. This is very largely a conjecture of the reporter.

In response to the inquiry if any negotiations were pending with other railroad corporations, Major Gordon answered evasively, but the reporter is nevertheless led to believe that there is some correspondence between him and the Chesapeake & Ohio on the subject.

BEAUTIFUL SAVAGES.

The Shapely Forms and Tattooed Limbs of the Samoan Islanders.

The Atlanta Constitution.

Now the male and female Samoan infest the deck with their argon and nakedness. The boys and girls all dress alike generally. The dress consists of a kind of bark belt tied around the waist, with dangles hanging about one foot below the hips. The tattooed limbs and light brown form standing unclad display as fine a physique as I ever saw. There is how and then an effort at dress to outshine others. For instance, a girl flitted in a gentleman's gauze shirt, while a gallant beau sported in the remotest female undergarment to the chagrin of the less beautiful belles and beau with collars on bare necks and neckties around the girls' limbs. The shapely figures of these strong, model-formed girls are standing rebukes to the women here who lace to death, and the overdressed spider-legged dude of our modern civilization.

I met aboard ship one of the most blushing young girls I ever saw. She'd blush if the wind played with her polonaise. She'd disappear for two days if her shoe-string dragged. When she struck the Samoans she didn't know what to do with herself for a while, as she could neither climb the mastpole nor get in the engine-room. The sun rose and set in her face for several minutes. In the course of an hour she was up shaking hands with the chief.

On board ship I met a beautiful Samoan girl. She seemed to be so gentle, and she was pretty. She came alongside and climbed right up the gangway. She gave me her hand to assist her aboard. She was seventeen and could talk broken English. She was the daughter of a chief and is a princess. My princess took a great fancy to me, and I—well, we swapped fancies. She gazed me steadily in the eye, rose to her feet, gazed again, passionately uttered "Aloha!" rushed to where I was and, strongly clasping me about the neck, sobbed "Aloha, aloha, aloha." "I am English," I insisted. "Yes, I you lov, you love I me." I remarked that I would if she would let up on the compass business, as I was not exactly used to hugging such clothes yet, but would give my best. I fell in with the princess and began to

learn. The first that I learned was that the young chief, who was on the retired list, didn't want to retire. He kept his eye on me and made several efforts to dust my pants with his immense club. I soon saw that he meant business. He considered me an intruder. I prepared for war and communicated with my princess. She realized the danger, arched her brow at him, and then had a war conference. He then sulked to his room. I understood from the princess that she had formally dismissed him from attendance upon her, and had elected me. I consented to be elected for the time being. Being secure in the castle, I proceeded to be informed. I asked: "I say, princess, what do you make all these pretty tattoo marks on your limbs for?"

"It is a part of our religion."  
"Do those designs mean anything?"  
"Yes; gods and good-luck marks."

A new side walk has been laid along Front street from the Elephant to the Grange Warehouses.

A colored woman named Mollie Ware, who is employed as a cook at Tutt's Restaurant, met with a painful accident yesterday afternoon. She wanted to clean the soot out of the stove-pipe at her house and for that purpose put a charge of powder in the stove and touched it off. The explosion burned her face badly and will cause the skin to peel off in some places.

New Providence Cleanings.

Once more the rain falleth in our little village, and

"The hearts of the maids  
And the gentlemen's heads  
Are bothered, I'm sure,"  
not by the Irishman, but by the apparently unceasing bad weather.

Yesterday, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Ross Pollard of this county, Mr. Pat McCorkle was united in marriage to Miss Sinia Pollard. The bride-groom is a steady, industrious young man, and the bride an attractive young lady. We wish them a happy lot.

We are indebted to Mr. Hazard Norwood for a copy of the Bennett, (Tex.) New Era, containing a description of Dunbar's Cave. It is the most complete and satisfactory description we have ever seen and mentioned some objects with which we were entirely unacquainted; for instance, Jacob's Well, and the very moss-covered stone on which Rebecca sat while Jacob drew water and gave her taffy.

Miss Mamie Gold of Bethel College, Hopkinsville, accompanied by Miss Mattie Wilson, is expected here tomorrow morning on a visit to friends in this place. They are two of the most attractive young ladies in the college, so look to your laurels, boys.

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